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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)		Docket Number (Optional) 030048028US	
Application Number 10/046,572-Conf. #4162		Filed October 26, 2001	
For METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR INTERSWITCH DEADLOCK AVOIDANCE IN COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK			
Art Unit 2665		Examiner J. E. Mattis	
This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):			
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	\$110.00	\$ 110.00
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	\$2,080.00	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.			
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>50-0665</u> . I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.			
I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.			
<input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record. Registration Number <u>36,878</u>			
<input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) _____			
_____ Signature		October 4, 2004 Date	
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NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Total of <u>1</u> forms are submitted.			

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